

In the Specification:

Please amend the Specification as indicated below.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 5 on page 35 as follows:

Fig. 23 shows an example of a display 540 including communication application indications 554, 556, 558, 560, 561, and 562 provided within representations 552 of users having recently communicated with a selected remote user 542 in a buddy list 544, ~~and communication application indications 546, 548 and 550 provided in association with entries for users in the buddy list 544.~~ As shown in Fig. 23, the visual indications 554 and 562 represent electronic mail messages between the selected user 542 and the users whose images the indications 554 and 562 are presented over, the visual indications 556 and 560 represent IP phone calls between the selected user 542 and the users whose images the indications 556 and 560 are presented over, the visual indication 558 represents an electronic meeting including the selected remote user 542 and the user whose image the indication 558 is presented over, and the visual indication 561 represents an instant messaging session between the selected remote user 542 and the user whose image the indication 561 is provided over.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 21 on page 39 as follows:

Fig. 27 shows an example of a user display 630 containing a status message including an illustrative entry 632, as well as an interface 634 for viewing other entries, and an interface 636 for editing one or more entries. For purposes of illustration, the user display 630 is shown including a clickable portion 634 for accessing other entries in the status message for the associated user. In this case, the clickable portion 634 itself includes text ("1 more") indicating the number of other entries in the status message in the display 630. The clickable portion 636 includes the text "(edit)", indicating to the user that the current entry 632 in the status message in the display 630 can be edited through the clickable portion 636. The display indication 630 provides information about when the associated entry 632 in the status message was created. In the example of Fig. 27, the entry indication 632 includes the text "(today)", indicating that the entry with which the indication 632 is provided was created on the day it is being viewed. Other information regarding an entry within a status message may also be provided, including the specific time the entry was created, an indication of the user that created the entry, and other information. Additionally, each entry in the status message may include links to Web pages. Such links may be indicated by character strings having a predetermined capitalization formats, as described above. Moreover, while only one entry is shown in the status message shown in Fig. 27, the disclosed system may be embodied and/or configured such that multiple entries are simultaneously shown in the status message.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 19 on page 27 as follows:

Fig. 13 shows an example of a display 300 for indicating the document access activity of a user to be shared with other users. As shown in Fig. 13, the display 300 provides an interface

for a user to indicate whether or not basic document activity is to be shared with other users through the check box 302. The display 300 further provides an interface for a user to indicate whether or not a history of document accesses is to be shared with other users through the check box ~~304~~302. Additionally, the display 300 provides a pull down list 306 for a user to indicate how many documents most recently accessed are to be identified to other users.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 22 on page 23 as follows:

Fig. 7 shows an example of an icon 182 for presenting chat session activity of a remote user to a local user through a display ~~180~~182 for a remote user selected by a local user by clicking on an awareness object, entry in a buddy list, or in some other way. As shown in Fig. 7, the icon 182 may include an indication of the number of current chat sessions for the selected remote user, in the example of Fig. 7 indicated by the number "1". A set of predetermined colors may also be used in presenting the icon 182 to indicate associated activity levels of the selected remote user. For example, a red color of the icon 182 may indicate a relatively recent chat session activity by the remote user, such as keyboard or mouse activity within a predetermined preceding time period, while a green color of the icon 182 may indicate a relatively low activity level, such as no keyboard or mouse activity within a predetermined preceding time period. The specific shape of the icon 182 in Fig. 7 is for purposes of illustration only, and the disclosed system is not limited to such shape. Any specific shape may be used to represent the icon for presenting chat session activity of a remote user to a local user.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 6 on page 13 as follows:

Similarly, in another exemplary embodiment, the dynamically linked library ~~1774~~ (DLL) on the client system may be used by the awareness client application process to monitor all chat session windows present in the windowing/desktop environment provided by the operating system. In this regard, the dynamically linked library 17 may be used to monitor window focus, keyboard/mouse activity, and participants for the chat session windows.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 22 on page 20 as follows:

The awareness objects in the name fields of the entries in the personal address book of Fig. 4 are only one possible way to include awareness objects in a user display, and the present invention is not limited to that specific technique. Moreover, any type visual indication may be used to identify the online status of a remote user associated with ~~an~~^{and} awareness object. Generally, awareness objects will include some identification of the remote user with which they are associated, such as the remote user's name, or an image or picture of the remote user. The personal address book application 160 is only one example of the various application programs in which an awareness object can be embedded. Any type of application program may pass control to the awareness client process of a portion of its display to serve as an awareness object.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 18 on page 35 as follows:

In an illustrative embodiment of the disclosed system, if the local user hovers the cursor over one of the representations 552 of users having recently communicated with the selected

remote user 542, more detailed information describing the indicated communications involving the selected remote user is presented in a hover over display to the local user. As shown in Fig. 24, the user display 540 may thus provide a hover over display 570 including an interaction activity hover over display associated with a representation of a user having recently communicated with a remote user. The hover over display 570 is shown, for purposes of illustration, including a description 572 of an electronic mail message involving the selected remote user and the user whose image the cursor is hovered over. The hover over display 570 further includes a description 574 of an instant messaging chat session involving the selected remote user and the user whose image the cursor is hovered over. Additionally, the hover over display 570 includes a description 576 of a second electronic mail message involving the selected remote user and the user whose image the cursor is hovered over. Communication activity information provided in the hover over display 570 may include the participants in the communication, the time and/or duration of the communication, the subject of the communication, any resources involved in the communication, such as file or document attachments, as well as an indication of how much time has passed since the selected remote user has been active in any communication activity.